CLAIMS

1. A compound of Formula I

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
N - N & R_3 \\
\downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\
R_1 & N & S & O
\end{array}$$

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Formula 1

wherein:

R₁, R₂ and R₄ are independently selected from the group H, C₁-C₈ alkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, benzyl, substituted benzyl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, hetroarylmethylene, and substituted hetroarylmethylene;

 R_3 is H, C_1 - C_8 alkyl, heteroalkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl;

with the proviso that the compound is not:

1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-

yl)thio]ethanone (6);

1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-

15 yl)thio]ethanone (7);

1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-

yl)thio]ethanone (11);

1-phenyl-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone

(12);

20 2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-

phenylethanone (21);

1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-

yl]thio}ethanone (27); or

1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methylphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-

3-yl]thio}ethanone (39).

2. A compound of Claim 1 selected from the group:

- a) 1-(1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- b) N-(2-nitro-4-{[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]acetyl}phenyl)acetamide;

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- c) N-(4-{2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]acetyl}phenyl)acetamide;
- d) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- e) 1-(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- f) 6-{[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]acetyl}-1,3-benzoxazol-2(3H)-one;
- g) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- h) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- i) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- j) 1-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- k) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- 1) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- m) 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- n) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- o) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- p) 1-(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- q) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methylphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- r) 2-{[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethanone;

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- s) 2-{[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)ethanone;
- t) 2-{[4-(2-fluorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethanone;
- u) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(2-fluorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- v) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-thien-3-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone; and
- w) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-thien-3-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone.
- 3. The method of treating parasitism by insects or helminths comprising administering to a mammal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of Formula I or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 4. The method of Claim 3 wherein the compound is:

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- a) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- b) 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- c) 1-(1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- d) N-(2-nitro-4-{[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]acetyl}phenyl)acetamide;
- e) N-(4-{2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]acetyl}phenyl)acetamide;
- f) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- g) 1-phenyl-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- h) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;

- i) 1-(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- j) 6-{[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]acetyl}-1,3-benzoxazol-2(3H)-one;
- k) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- l) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- m) 2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-phenylethanone;
- n) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- o) 1-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- p) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- q) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- r) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- s) 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- t) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- u) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- v) 1-(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- w) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methylphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- x) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methylphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;

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- y) 2-{[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethanone;
- z) 2-{[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)ethanone;
- aa) 2-{[4-(2-fluorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethanone;
- bb) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(2-fluorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- cc) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-thien-3-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone; and
- dd) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-thien-3-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone.
- 5. A composition containing a compound of Formula I

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
N - N & R_3 \\
\downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\
R_1 & N & S & O
\end{array}$$

Formula 1

wherein:

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 R_1 , R_2 and R_4 are independently selected from the group H, C_1 - C_8 alkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, benzyl, substituted benzyl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, hetroarylmethylene, and substituted hetroarylmethylene; R_3 is H, C_1 - C_8 alkyl, heteroalkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl.

- 6. A composition of Claim 5 wherein the compound is:
 - a) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
 - b) 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
 - c) 1-(1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;

- d) N-(2-nitro-4-{[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]acetyl}phenyl)acetamide;
- e) N-(4-{2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]acetyl}phenyl)acetamide;
- f) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- g) 1-phenyl-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- h) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- i) 1-(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)-2-[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]ethanone;
- j) 6-{[(4-phenyl-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)thio]acetyl}-1,3-benzoxazol-2(3H)-one;
- k) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- l) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- m) 2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-phenylethanone;
- n) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- o) 1-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methylphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- p) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- q) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-phenyl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- r) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- s) 1-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;

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- t) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- u) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- v) 1-(2,3-dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- w) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methylphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- x) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methylphenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- y) 2-{[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethanone;
- z) 2-{[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)ethanone;
- aa) 2-{[4-(2-fluorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethanone;
- bb) 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-2-{[4-(2-fluorophenyl)-5-pyridin-4-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone;
- cc) 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-thien-3-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone; and
- dd) 1-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-{[4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-5-thien-3-yl-4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl]thio}ethanone.

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